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Ex Parte No. 646 (Sub-No. 1), Simplified Re: Standards for Rail Rate Cases

Dear Secretary Williams:

Please find an original and ten (10) copies of the Notice of Intent to Participate in the above-referenced proceeding of the Western Coal Traffic League.

We have enclosed an additional copy of the Notice. Kindly indicate receipt and filing by time-stamping this copy and returning it with our messenger.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

An Attorney for the Western

Coal Traffic League

Enclosures

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The Western Coal Traffic League hereby provides notice of its intent to participate in the captioned proceeding as its interests may require, and requests that it be placed on the service list for this proceeding..

Respectfully submitted,

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